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Reason for Allowance

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The instant application is directed to a non-obvious feature implementation over the invention or method described in cited prior arts. The non-obvious feature implementation comprises a combination of steps as specified in independent claims, wherein a hand-over facility configured for performing a hand-over process based upon difference of transmission/reception condition of each of a plurality of antennas, such that a base station providing the largest or strongest difference signal among antennas is selected to be a handed-off base station. This non-obvious feature is included in all independent claims 23, 28, 33, 38-40.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Drawings

2. The drawings are objected to because <u>D1 as recited in block 34 of Fig. 11 should</u> <u>be changed to Di</u>. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or communications from the examiner should be directed to Duc M. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-7893, Monday-Thursday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nay Maung can be reached on 571-272-7882. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

/Duc M. Nguyen/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2618

Sept 23, 2010